Mr. T. A. Ramachandra Ayyar.—Is any supervision charge of officers included in this?

Mr. K. Govinda Menon.—Yes, it is included.

Rose-wood.

117. Mr. A. B. Salem.—Will the Government be pleased to state:—

(a) what quantity of rose-wood is available in the forests now for sale;

(b) whether any one has applied for the same;

(c) if so, who all have applied;

(d) whether any application has been accepted; if so, the terms on which it has been accepted;

(e) how many of these applicants are Cochinites;

(f) if non-Cochinites have been preferred, will the reasons for the same be kindly given;

(g) whether any tender has been invited; if not, why not?

Mr. K. Govinda Menon.

(a) Four hundred and thirty-seven candies.

(b) Yes.

(c) Messrs. Nathan Brothers, Messrs. T. Namberumal Chetti & Sons, Mr. C. P. Louis, Messrs. Mugaseth & Sons.

(d) None.

(e) Government have no information.

(f) Please see replies to sub-divisions (d) and (e).

(g) An auction has been notified.

Mr. A. B. Salem.—For sub-division (e) the answer given is "Government have no information." I am asking whether they made the necessary inquiries. How many of these applicants are Cochinites?

President.—Government have no information. Some may be Cochinites; some may not be. Government did not consider it necessary to make such enquiries.

Teak wood.

118. Mr. A. B. Salem.—Will the Government be pleased to state:—(a) what is the market price for teak in the year 1102 on the average;

(b) at what price has Cochin Forest teak been supplied;

(c) persons to whom teak has been supplied;

(d) the price at which teak has been supplied to the different parties;

(e) whether tenders were invited; if not, why not?

Mr. K. Govinda Menon.—(a) No average market price can be quoted. The price depends upon the quality and size of the log.

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